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To: <u>Armitage, Thomas</u>

Subject: EPA Science Advisory Board Panel on Connectivity of Streams and Wetlands to Downstream Waters

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Dear Dr. Armitage,

I am writing to recommend Mr. Joseph Berg from Biohabitats, Inc. for the Expert Panel to review "Connectivity of Streams and Wetlands to Downstream Waters: A Review and Synthesis of the Scientific Evidence."

I have known Mr. Berg throughout my career and can attest that he is a leader in the field of stream and ecological restoration. He recently served on an Chesapeake Bay Program Expert Panel for which I co-chaired and made several important contributions to the document "Recommendations of the Expert Panel to Define Removal Rates for Individual Stream Restoration Projects" http://chesapeakestormwater.net/bay-stormwater/baywide-stormwater-policy/urban-stormwater-workgroup/urban-stream-restoration/.

I think that Mr. Berg's real-world experience will prove invaluable in reviewing the synthesis document.

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